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## PATENT APPLICATION

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Application No.: 09/921,994		; )				
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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 15, 2003 (Paper No. 11), please amend the application as follows:

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## a.) <u>Introductory Comments</u>

The present amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Revised Format established by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, as permitted in the Pre-OG Notice entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted", a copy of which is attached.